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On-screen text: Guatemala

Emily Zielinski Gutierrez, DrPH, Director, CDC Central America Region: By looking at antimicrobial resistance across different settings it really is something that's able to tell us about an issue that really becomes very important because we end up in a situation where we have pathogens that are you know proliferating either in the community or in the hospital and we don't have the tools to be able to combat them.

Dr. Brooke Ramey, Pharm D., Researcher and Professor, Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, Research Assistant Professor, Washington State University: We ask questions about their household habits the type of water that they have, their infrastructure what type of type of toilets that they use and then we also ask about animals and if they use antibiotics in their animals.

Zielinski Gutierrez: CDC's role is helping develop the protocol helping fund the activities and some of the oversight. If we don't get a handle on what's happening, what are the risk factors and how do we actually get in the way of those risk factors that means that we're just kind of at the mercy of the pathogens.

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